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ENP01-T329010 34 [REDACTED] R029-70 DAILY SIGINT SUMMARY FOR 29 JANUARY 1970.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS SUMMARY IS BASED ENTIRELY ON SIGINT EXCEPT WHERE SOURCE IS OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED. PART ONE - RESUME OF SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS. THE SHOOTDOWN OF TWO U.S. AIRCRAFT OVER NORTH VIETNAM ON 28 JANUARY BEGAN WITH THE FLIGHT OF TWO F-105 AIRCRAFT FLYING SAM SUPPRESSION SUPPORT FOR AN RF4C RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT OVER THE SOUTHERN PANHANDLE. THE FLIGHT OF F-105S WAS FIRED ON BY TWO SAM MISSILES AT 0506, LAUNCHED FROM A SITE LOCATED WITHIN TWO NAUTICAL MILES OF 18-00N 105-53E. THE F-105S SUCCESSFULLY EVADED BOTH MISSILES AND WERE CONDUCTING AN APPROACH TO A SECOND SITE LOCATED AT 18-04N 105-47E WHEN ONE OF THE STRIKE AIRCRAFT WAS HIT AND SHOT DOWN BY AAA FIRE. BOTH THE PILOT AND THE ECM OFFICER REPORTEDLY EJECTED; HOWEVER, LATER INTERCEPT FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED NVN SAM ASSOCIATED FACILITY REPORTED THAT THE TWO F-105 PILOTS ARE DEAD. IN THE 0700 HOUR, SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR) EFFORTS WERE DIRECTED TO THE AREA OF THE DOWNED F-105 AND TWO MIG-21 AIRCRAFT REACTED FROM VINH AIRFIELD AND SUCCESSFULLY INTERCEPTED AND AT 0745 SHOT DOWN THE SAR HELICOPTER WITH AN AIR-TO-AIR MISSILE IN THE VICINITY OF 17-40N 105-50E. THE MIG AIRCRAFT REPORTEDLY HEADED NORTH; HOWEVER, ONLY ONE MIG-21 WAS NOTED RECOVERING AT VINH AIRFIELD AFTER REPEATED CALLS TO THE SECOND MIG-21 FAILED TO DRAW A POSITIVE RESPONSE. PRIOR TO, AND PROBABLY DURING, THE ENGAGEMENT, THE MIGS WERE PLACED ON ALERT AT BAI THUONG BUT WERE NOT NOTED AIRBORNE. (SEE BIG LOOK CRITIC 01-70, 280811Z, AND FOLLOWUPS THERETO)

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